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LOCAL

EIGHT STUDENTS GRADUATED.

Eight degrees were conferred upon graduates of the Eclectic Medical College of the City of New York at the forty-first commencement. The graduates were F. L. Frucha, E. D. Gerdard, Hans Harris, A. L. Kraly, W. A. J. Schwartz, M. V. Sileo, A. M. M. A. Starn and B. M. Torkel.

MRS. JOHN KELLY WELL.

The cable despatch from Paris to the effect that Mrs. John Kelly, widow of the politician, John Kelly, was dying in France of cancer, was erroneous. Mrs. Kelly is in good health at her city home, No. 34 East Sixty-ninth street.

BISHOP GIVEN \$100,000.

The Rev. Dr. Brent, the Protestant Episcopal Bishop of the Philippines, who sailed for his post on Saturday, telegraphed from Boston that a jump sum of \$100,000 had been presented to him to be used in constructing a cathedral, school and bishop's house in the city of Manila.

TO PROTECT CONY FROM FIRE.

Cony Island is to have an additional engine company and a new house. The new house is to be built on property adjoining the present house of Ensign 155, on West.

TO IMPROVE CITY BOOKS.

The Social Municipal Committee of the Merchants' Association, has organized as the Committee on Municipal Accounts, Records and Water Supply. George L. Durai has been chosen chairman, William F. Kink, Treasurer, and S. Cristy Mond, Secretary.

IN MEMORY OF BARON DE HIRSCH.

Exercises in memory of Baron and Baroness de Hirsch were held in the Baron de Hirsch Trades School in East Sixty-fourth street.

LABOR MEN TO UNITE.

Representatives of the Parsons and Hayes factions of the Knights of Labor will get together in this city today, and if they carry out a program, they will be united in a new order.

JOE BUCKLEY SUES.

Joe Buckley, whose name is intimately connected with a cotton cloth and may intimate, has sued his partner, in the mineral water business, Frank T. Hantonn, for a dissolution of the partnership and an accounting.

DIKE BOOM STARTED.

The friends of Col. Norman S. Dike, of Brooklyn, have started a movement in favor of his nomination to the second place on the State ticket this fall.

MRS. SHELTON DONATES \$1,000.

Mrs. Henry K. Shelton has donated \$1,000 for the endowment of a bed in the St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Brooklyn in memory of her husband.

YOUNG GIRL MISSING.

Lena Kaplan, sixteen, who came here from Russia five months ago, has been living with her uncle, Lewis Kaplan, at No. 176 Clinton street, has been missing for nine days. She is working in a book wear house in Broadway, but on the morning of her disappearance she was ostensibly to go to other employment.

DETS UNDER BROOKS NOW.

Commissioner Partridge has placed the Detective Bureau at Headquarters in the jurisdiction of the Second Inspection District, over which Inspector Brooks presides.

MAYOR IS CAPT. LAW NOW.

Mayor Seth Low is now a full-fledged yachtman. He may wear a captain's uniform and fly the pennant of the New York Yacht Club on his steam yacht "Whisper" when he goes to Long Island Sound on his annual cruise.

MAN HAS TRICHINOSIS.

Thomas Farrell, twenty-three, a machinist, living at No. 42 West Fifty-ninth street, told the physicians at Bellevue that he had trichinosis. The doctors say that the disease is taken in its early stage can be cured, and they hope to pull Farrell through.

ACTOR LEMOYNE ILL.

William J. Lemoine, the well-known comedian, has been ill for some time at his home, No. 128 East Thirty-fourth street, and the second of two amputations has been performed on him.

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR TEACHERS.

Through the generosity of Valentine Everett May, George Foster Peabody and John Crosby Brown, seven special scholarships have been established in the Teachers' College, Columbia University, for the assistance of Southern teachers.

TELEGRAPH.

DEPT OF BOOKS FAILED.

SYRACUSE, May 16.—Francis W. Grisley, bankrupt bank president, who failed in 1890, notified at his examination that he never kept books merely making memorandums on calendars which he threw away at the end of the year.

REMARKED AFTER YEARS.

WASHINGTON, Conn., May 16.—After having been separated for years Mr. and Mrs. Peter Signet have again been joined in matrimony. They were divorced in 1881 after having been married less than two years.

REV. E. T. ATE AT FREIGHT.

SAVILL, N. Y., May 16.—W. H. Vandewater, a "Red Devil" who has been starting the rumor and been arrested in New York by train in the past, was seen at the freight station to break all previous speed records.

ARMED FOR DEATH.

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COAL STRIKE MAY INVOLVE 450,000!

Miners' Convention at Hazleton Takes Steps to Call Out All Its Men in the United States—Thousands of Railroad Employees Laid Off.

The strike of 147,000 anthracite coal miners is in full swing today.

Already the price of coal has advanced \$1.00 per ton in this city.

The railroad companies are holding all coal in transit.

All the "hard coalers" have fallen off about a point and a half on the Exchange and continue weak.

The miners' convention at Hazleton adjourned sine die at 11.45 today, after taking steps to call out all the hard and soft coal miners of the United States. This action, when ratified, will involve about 450,000 men.

The calling out of the engineers, firemen and pump-runners has been left in the hands of the district officers.

All over the anthracite region local unions are preparing for the struggle.

All the coal railroads throughout Pennsylvania have laid off thousands of employees.

ALL MINERS TO GO OUT?

(Special to The Evening World.)

HAZLETON, Pa., May 16.—The strike of 147,000 anthracite miners—their fight to the finish for the life of their union—determined upon in convention last night, is in full blast today.

The miners' convention re-assembled at 9 o'clock this morning and adjourned sine die at 11.45, voting to leave the question of calling out the engineers, firemen and pump-runners to the district officers.

Steps were taken by the convention to involve in the strike all the bituminous and anthracite coal miners in the United States.

According to the rules of the union it requires five districts to call a national convention. The three anthracite districts will immediately get into correspondence with the bituminous districts to gain the consent of two of them for the issuance of a call for a special national convention.

It is declared in the highest authority that the Michigan district and the West Virginia district will probably make up the necessary five districts.

The same authority says that 3,000 men in Virginia and West Virginia, and from 15,000 to 20,000 men in Central Pennsylvania will without doubt be on a strike within a few days unless de-

mands that have been laid before the bituminous operators are granted.

After the adjournment President Mitchell issued the following statement:

"At this morning's session the convention petitioned the national officers to issue a call for a national convention of all miners employed in the United States for the purpose of considering the situation in the anthracite field."

"If the desire of the anthracite miners is carried into effect a national suspension of coal mining will be inaugurated. All questions of detail as to the direction of the strike in the anthracite field were referred to the district and national officers. Definite plans will be outlined within the next few days."

"For the present the engineers, firemen and pump-runners will continue work. All mine workers were advised to remain at their homes, abstain from frequenting saloons, and under all circumstances to serve the law."

Mr. Mitchell said that if a general strike were ordered it would involve altogether 448,000 men.

All the local unions in the anthracite region are to-day busily preparing for the campaign.

Orders were given to remove all mules from the mines to the outside barns and pasture lands.

The companies here have canvassed their office forces to ascertain who will serve as special officers or work in the washery district and national officers.

The wholesale and retail grocers have called a meeting for next week to decide on the course they will follow as to credits.

COAL ALREADY UP \$1.

The price of coal was advanced \$1 a ton today and it now retails for \$3.50 per ton.

This action, which was taken simultaneously by all retail dealers, is thought to mean that the coal dealers expect a long and hard struggle. The dealers say the raise in price is merely preliminary to other increases.

THOUSANDS LAID OFF.

(Special to The Evening World.)

PHILADELPHIA, May 16.—All the anthracite carrying railroads have decided to lay off trains, both freight and passenger, because of the coal strike.

In addition orders were issued to lay up all ocean-going tugs and barges.

The estimate is that 20,000 men will thus be made idle.

As an instance of the curtailing of expenses, the Philadelphia and Reading issued orders withdrawing twenty-one week-day passenger trains and all the Sunday trains on the Shamokin Division. As to freight trains, there will be none at all excepting for general merchandise.

BUFFALO, May 16.—About 1,000 coal handlers have been laid off by the leading coal companies because of the strike in the anthracite coal fields.

DIAMOND SMUGGLER WAS FOUND GUILTY

Leinkran, Accused of Bringing in \$26,000 Worth of Gems, Put in No Defense—Case to Be Appealed.

Michael Leinkran, who is said to be a half-brother of a Maiden Lane diamond broker, was convicted in the United States Circuit Court today of smuggling \$26,000 worth of diamonds.

Leinkran was arrested as he was leaving the steamship Krompkins, on which Prince Henry was a passenger, on Feb. 18. Special Treasury Agent Theobald found on the prisoner six packages containing diamonds which were contained in boxes given to him by a man in answer to a letter from New York.

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POLICE GIVE "THIRD DEGREE" EVIDENCE IN BROOKS CASE.

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the revolver with which the shooting was done and his visits to the office of Brooks & Wells, at No. 17 Jay street, after which he accompanied by Detective-Sergeant Parker, went to the home of Florence Burns on Fifteenth street near Beverly road, Flatbush.

There the detectives questioned Florence Burns. She said she had left Walter Brooks at 6.30 o'clock the night before, having arrived at her home at 7 o'clock, or a little later.

When the detective told her that Walter Brooks was shot, she said:

"I haven't heard—did they find the pistol?"

Mr. Schurman requested the witness to repeat what she had said about the pistol. Later she said:

"Oh, I know I'm suspected and I'm in a hole."

While riding in a trolley car coming to New York with the detectives Florence Burns suddenly exclaimed:

"Don't get excited over riding things. I don't get excited over anything."

Further on, when Parker took a watch from his pocket Florence Burns leaned over and taking the watch asked:

"Is this Walter's?" and then before the detectives could answer she herself said: "No; it is not Walter's watch."

MISS DUNN CALLED.

"Handsome Ed" Watson reached court at this point and approaching a vacant seat near where Ruth Dunn was seated when Mr. Schurman called, Miss Dunn to the stand.

On the stand Miss Dunn made a pretty figure. She has handsome blonde hair and remarkably soft dark eyes. Her figure is neat and her bearing graceful.

She spoke in soft tones and gave her testimony in a modest, unaffected manner.

A drooping of the eyes followed her answer in the affirmative to the questions of the prosecutor.

Did you know Walter Brooks very well?

"Yes, very well," the witness said; "better during the last few weeks of his life than ever before."

Miss Dunn told of Brooks' constant attention, his fondness for her society, the suppers they used to enjoy together and the pleasures they had in going to theaters together.

Griffithed, Mrs. Brooks, from her seat in the rear of the Courtroom, arose and proceeded to one nearer the witness, that she might hear every word uttered.

The mother leaned forward and listened eagerly as the witness told of Walter Brooks.

Mr. Schurman produced a batch of letters—love letters written by Walter Brooks to Ruth Dunn. In her possession they would have been found with blue ribbons bound around them, but in the hands of the prosecutor Walter Brooks' letters to Miss Dunn were in an ugly, official envelope tied with red tape.

Miss Dunn identified the letters, many of them written during the last few days of Walter Brooks' life. In some of the letters he referred to Florence Burns.

She had become an annoyance to him, he said so in his letters to Miss Dunn.

After the witness had carefully identified Walter Brooks' letters she was asked:

Florence Burns, at the time of her arrest, is alleged to have given expression to a remark which was regarded as of the utmost importance by the prosecution.

She is alleged to have said to Detective Reardon:

"Walter had in his possession \$2, a \$2 bill, two \$1 bills and two \$1 bills. The prosecution has already shown that before he left his office, and in the possession of Florence Burns, he received a \$2 bill and two \$1 bills and other bills amounting to \$4 all told."

The prosecution contends that Florence Burns could not know that Walter Brooks had only \$2 at the time he was shot, unless she was in the room with him. The \$2 found in Brooks' pocket was what was left after he had paid for a taxi.

When Ruth Dunn left the stand Mrs. Brooks raised her veil and extended a white trembling hand to the witness. The latter clasped the hand and was drawn into a vacant seat beside the mother of the dead boy.

Miss Dunn had nothing but words of praise for her slain sweetheart.

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MUTE WITNESSES AGAINST FLORENCE BURNS.

The District-Attorney's office, in its case against Florence Burns, places unusual reliance upon a number of MUTE WITNESSES to establish the guilt of the beautiful Flatbush girl.

These mute witnesses are:

A REVOLVER, the weapon with which Walter Brooks was killed. Owned by the father of Miss Burns, according to the prosecution, and carried by her.

A COMB, a dilapidated hair ornament found in the Glen Island Hotel room in which Brooks was killed. Was the property of Miss Burns, prosecution witnesses have sworn.

\$32, the money found in the clothes of Walter Brooks and the money which was carried by her.

The prosecution contends that after her arrest Miss Burns told the detectives that her sweetheart had \$32 in his pocket when she left him.

SILVER WATCH belonging to Brooks. After her arrest Miss Burns told the detectives that her sweetheart had \$32 in his pocket when she left him.

One of the jurors quickly asked:

"Did you tell her a negro was employed in the hotel?"

"No, sir."

"Did she give you her comb willingly?"

"No, sir; she hadn't seen him at that time."

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